



City of *Downey*

# Community Development Department Updates

Part Two

July-September 2024 Edition

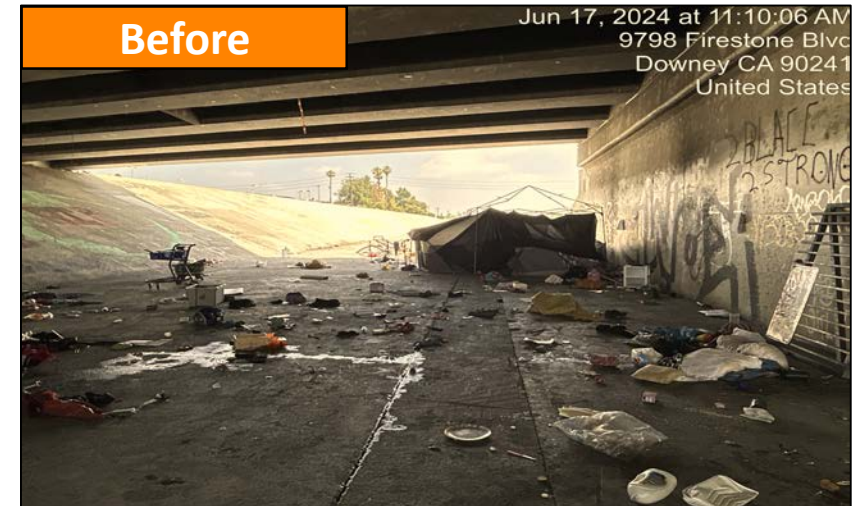
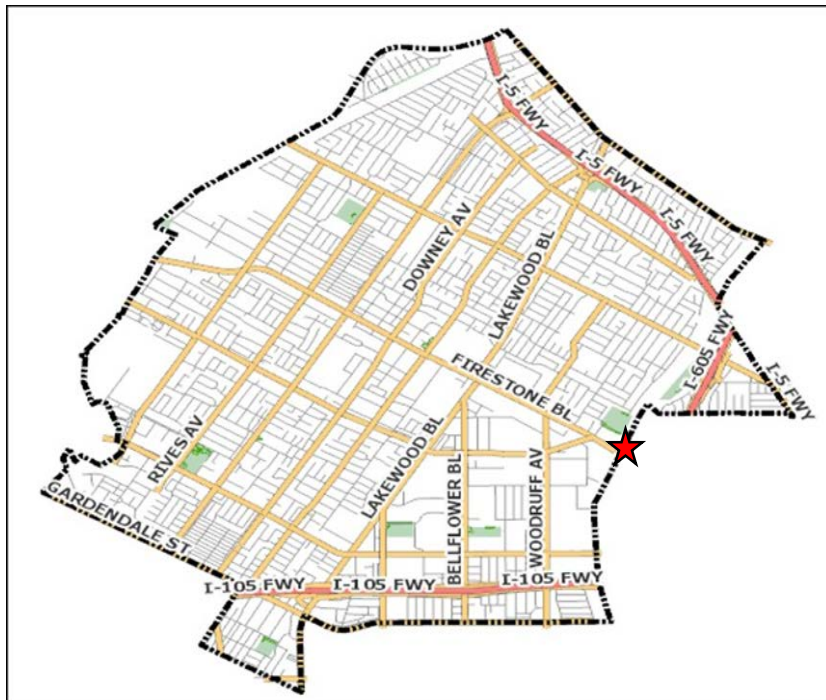
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## City Wide Clean-Ups

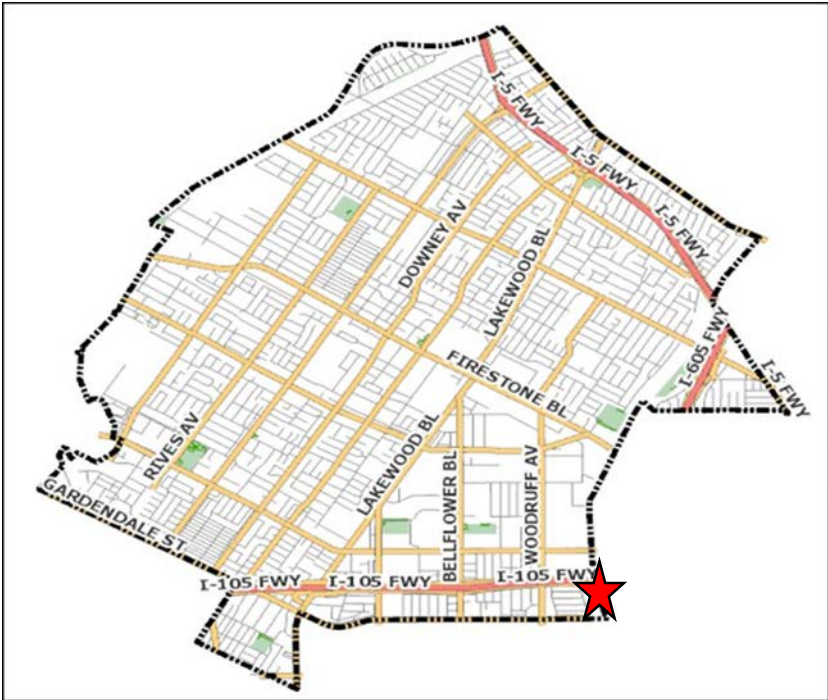
- The Code Enforcement team continues to lead clean-ups throughout the city, and continues to partner with agencies to assist people experiencing homelessness.
- Clean-ups are completed on a weekly basis in targeted areas.



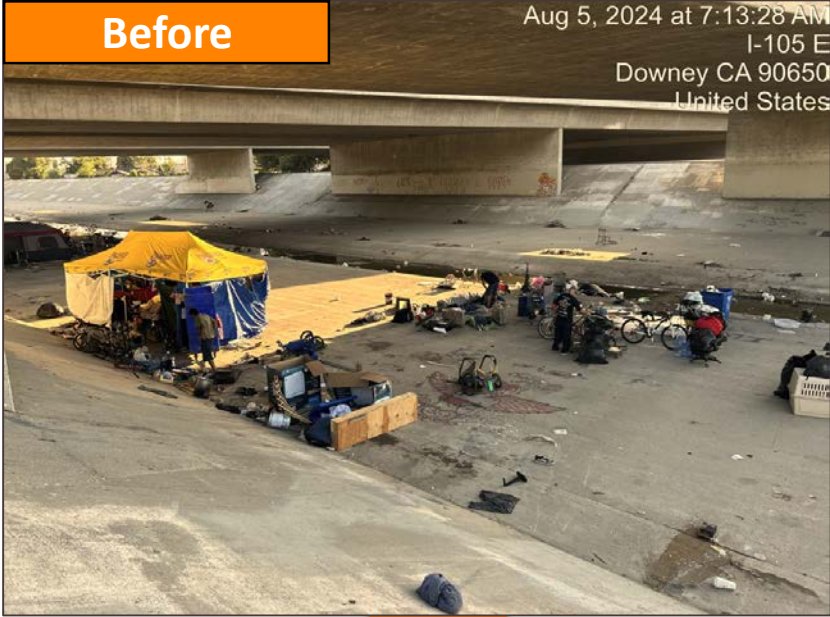


# City Wide Clean-Ups

The Code Enforcement team continues to proactively monitor and report encampment “hotspots” throughout the City, with partner environmental agencies and Downey Police.



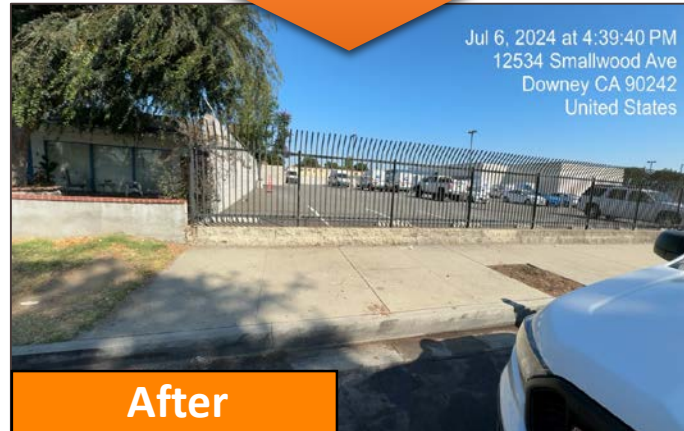
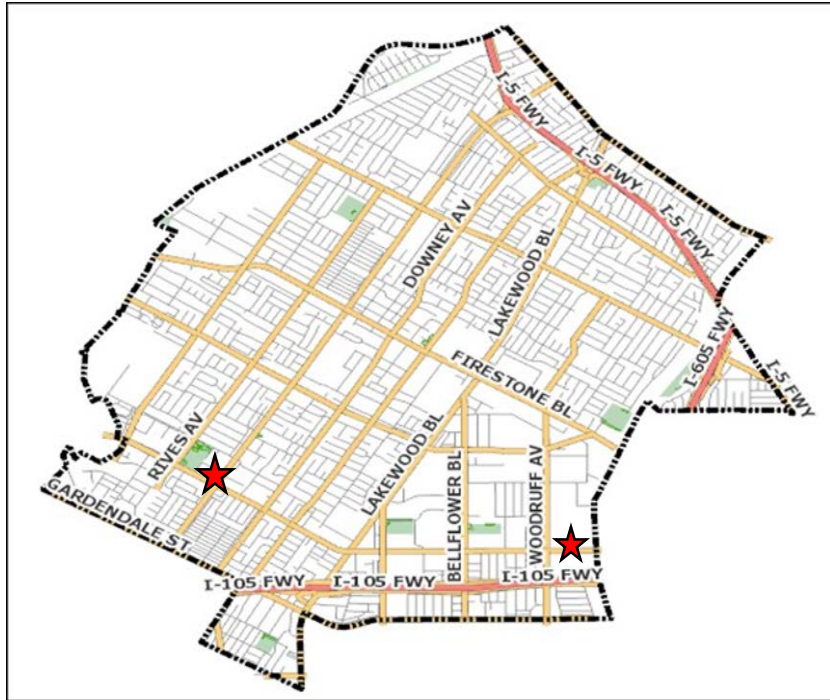
Before



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# City Wide Clean-Ups





## City wide Clean ups

# City Wide Clean-Ups Resources

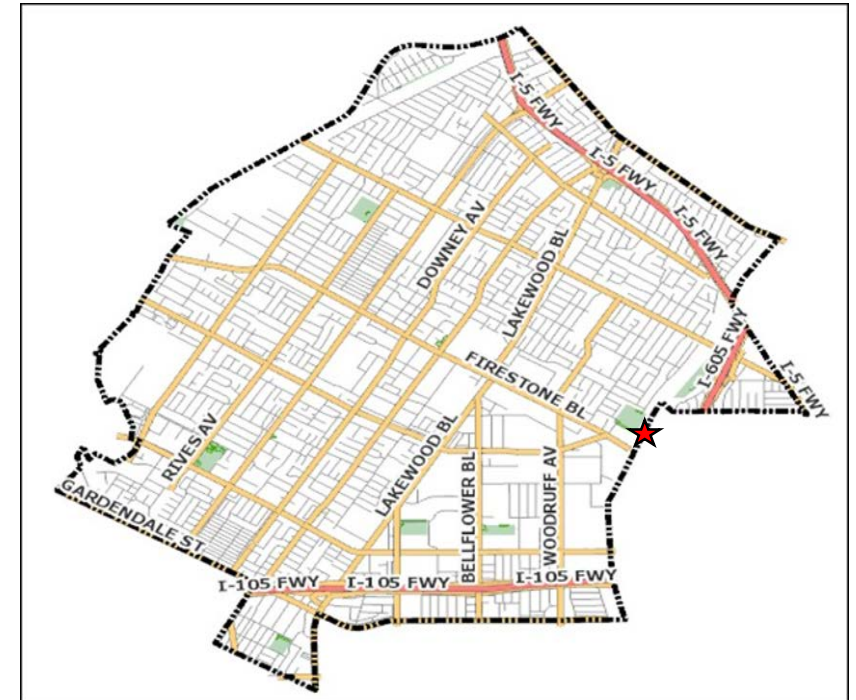
Through Code Enforcement and Downey Police efforts, people experiencing homelessness are connected with outreach organizations that offer social services support, assisting persons with obtaining housing and other supportive resources.





# City Park Clean-Ups

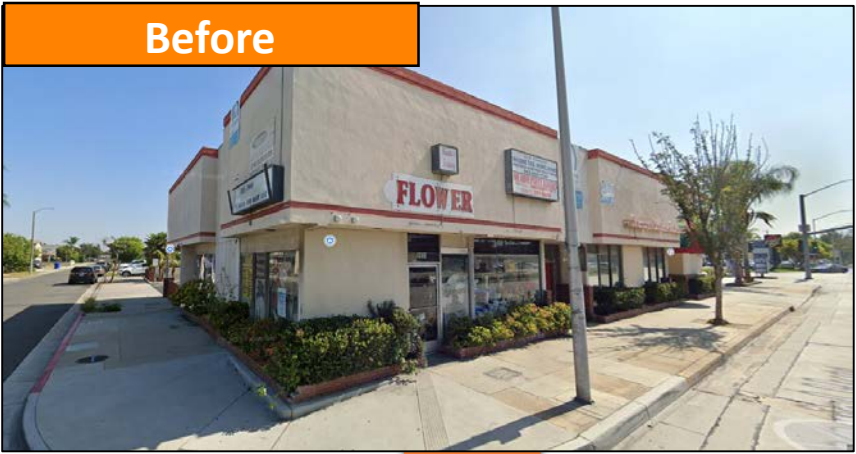
The Code Enforcement team continues to proactively monitor City parks for encampments and abandoned items on a weekly-basis.





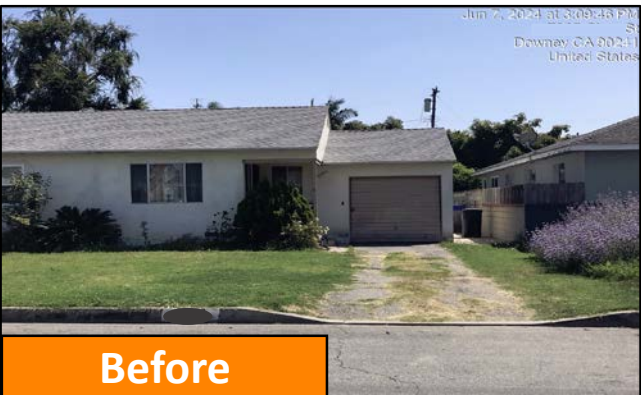
# Property Maintenance

Staff proactively works with property owners to achieve voluntary compliance related to property maintenance concerns.





# Property Maintenance



# Property Maintenance Guide

## A QUALITY NEIGHBORHOOD STARTS WITH YOU

*A Residential Guide for Property Maintenance*

## UN VECINDARIO DE CALIDAD EMPIEZA CON USTED

*Guía residencial para mantenimiento de la propiedad*



- 1 Grass**  
Grass must be mowed and well maintained.
- 2 Clean Yard**  
Yards should be well-kept, clean and free of loose junk, trash and debris.
- 3 Trees/ Vegetation**  
Trees and vegetation should be kept well-maintained and must be trimmed so they are not within 5 feet of any structure on yours or your adjacent neighbor's property.
- 4 Vehicles**  
Junk and inoperable vehicles are not permitted unless inside a fully enclosed building
- 5 Parking**  
All vehicles must be parked on a legal driveway leading to a permitted parking location. Vehicles may not be parked in the front or side yards, however, an exception is made on street sweeping day.
- 6 Fences**  
Fences must be well maintained and free of rust and/or peeling paint.
- 7 Paint and Siding**  
Paint must be well maintained without chipping or peeling.
- 8 Outdoor Items**  
Outdoor items must be stored in a neat and orderly fashion and may not be stored in front yards, driveways or side yards. Indoor furniture, appliances, tools, car parts, trash and debris may not be stored outside.

- 9 Trash Cans**  
Trash cans may not be put out at the curb until 6pm the day before collection and must be removed and properly stored out of view from the public right of way 12 hours after pickup.


- 1 Pasto**  
El pasto debe estar cortado y bien mantenido.
- 2 Jardín limpio**  
Los patios deben estar bien cuidados, limpios y libres de trastos sueltos, basura y escombros.
- 3 Árboles/ Vegetación**  
Los árboles y la vegetación deben mantenerse en buen estado y deben podarse para que no estén a menos de 5 pies de cualquier estructura en su propiedad o en la propiedad de su vecino adyacente.
- 4 Vehículos**  
No se permiten vehículos chatarra e inoperables a menos que estén dentro de un edificio completamente cerrado.
- 5 Estacionamiento**  
Todos los vehículos deben estar estacionados en un camino legal que conduzca a un lugar de estacionamiento permitido. Los vehículos no pueden estacionarse en los patios delanteros o laterales, sin embargo, se hace una excepción el día de barrido de calles.
- 6 Cercas**  
Las cercas deben estar bien mantenidas y libres de óxido y/o pintura descascarada.
- 7 Pintura y Revestimiento**  
La pintura debe mantenerse en buen estado sin astillarse ni descascararse.
- 8 Almacenamiento exterior**  
Los artículos al aire libre deben almacenarse de moda limpia y ordenada y no pueden almacenarse en los patios delanteros, entradas de vehículos o patios laterales. Los muebles de interior, los electrodomésticos, las herramientas, las piezas de automóviles, la basura y los escombros no se pueden almacenar en el exterior.



# Window Signs Hand-out

## New and improved hand-outs are available now!

- The Planning and Code Enforcement Divisions continue their joint effort to keep the public informed, by providing hand-outs on commonly requested municipal code-related information.
- The newest hand-out demonstrates [permanent window sign](#) information.
- Visit the Planning Division's [Signs Regulations Webpage](#) on the City's website for the most up-to-date documents as they relate to signs!

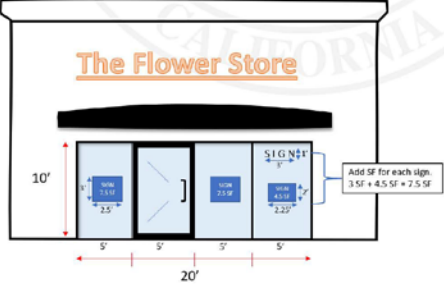
 **City of Downey**  
Community Development Department  
(562) 904-7151

**Permanent Window Sign Regulations:** [DMC Section 9612](#)


- Maximum allowed Square Feet (SF) for permanent window signs: 15% of individual window area and 30% of total area of all windows.
- Signs shall not rotate, move, or cause uncontrolled direction of lights, flash, reflect, scroll, or blink.
- Changeable copy is permitted.
- Does not require a sign permit application.

**Window Sign Example:**

- Individual Window Area: 5' x 10' = 50 SF
- Allowed SF for each Window Sign: 50 SF x .15 = 7.5 SF

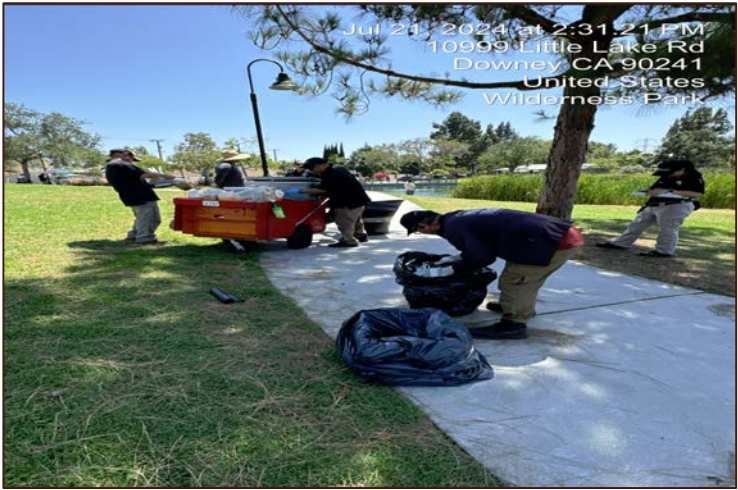


**Types of Window Signs**



# Collaboration with LA County Public Health

Code Enforcement collaborated with LA County Public Health July through September to complete health inspections throughout the City, in an effort to ensure compliance with the California Health and Safety Code.





## Proactive Street Vendor Enforcement

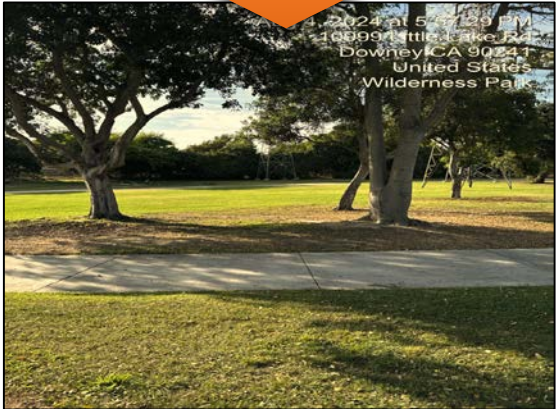
Code Enforcement proactively continues to enforce unpermitted vending. Vendors are issued a notice, informed on how to apply for a permit, and provided a permit application.





# Proactive Vendor Enforcement – Parks

Code Enforcement proactively continues to enforce unpermitted vending at city parks. Unauthorized vendors were issued a notice, and informed on how to apply for a permit, while being provided a permit application.





Downey Code Enforcement  
Phone: (562) 904-2392

**Caltrans**

E-mail: <https://csr.dot.ca.gov/>

## How to Report a Code Violation

**Union Pacific**

E-mail: [www.UP.com/NotifyUP](http://www.UP.com/NotifyUP)  
Phone (888) 877-7267

E-mail:

[CodeEnf@downeyca.org](mailto:CodeEnf@downeyca.org)

**Downey Service Request App**





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